

CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

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WSDOT Construction Activity & Possible Delays/August 28-September 7, 2003

HOLIDAY TRAVEL ALERT: Most construction work will be suspended by noon on Friday, August 29th through Monday, September 1st in anticipation of increased holiday traffic with the exception of work on US 395 south of Colville.

US 2/Fairchild Main Gate Turn Lane (MP 275)-Minor items remain. No delays.

SR 20-Clark Street/City of Republic (MP 303)-Utility and sidewalk work underway. This is a City of Republic project. Contact (509)775-2929.

<u>SR 20/Ruby Mountain to Newport (MP 404-436)-</u>Paving operations, will be underway. Also some shoulder work and striping. Motorists should expect some delays where work is underway. Expect possible slow, single-lane traffic controlled by flaggers or pilot cars.

SR 21/Lind to I-90 (MP 25-37)- Complete.

SR 21/Golden Harvest Creek (MP 155)-Minor items.

SR 26-Colfax/Palouse River Bridge (MP 133)-Most work has been suspended until mid-September to allow for harvest traffic. SPEED LIMIT ALERT: There is a reduction in the legal speed limit to 35 mph on SR 26 in the vicinity of this project.

I-90/Salnave Road Interchange to Geiger Blvd. Interchange (MP 265-275)-Minor items

<u>I-90/Sunset Hill to Argonne (MP 278-287)</u>- Work is underway on this project to upgrade the existing electronic system used to monitor and coordinate traffic flows throughout the I-90 corridor. Contractor crews continue working with electrical conduit along Sprague Avenue between Division Street and Hatch Street (about 6 blocks east of Division). No freeway traffic impacts.

HIGH IMPACT!! I-90/Latah Creek Bridge (MP 279)- On Tuesday and Wednesday, September 2-3, from about 9:00 a.m. to around 3:30 p.m., WSDOT crews will be performing deck repairs in the westbound inside lane on the Latah Creek Bridge. Westbound I-90 will be reduced to two through lanes. Motorists should expect slow traffic, congestion, and possible delays during this work.

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<u>I-90/Sullivan Road to Idaho Border (MP 292-299)</u>-All major roadway work should be complete by Friday, August 29 with just minor items remaining.

<u>Interstate 90/Argonne to Sullivan (MP 287-292)-</u>Beginning on Tuesday, September 2nd, the contractor will be working during evening and night hours on drainage items. Westbound I-90 will be reduced to one lane from about 7:00 p.m. until possibly 5:00 a.m. Daytime work will also be underway on the shoulder behind the barrier with no traffic impacts. No eastbound impacts.

US 195/Spangle to Excelsior Drive (MP 80-88)-Minor items.

SR 290-Trent Avenue/Spokane River Bridge 290/4 Replacement (MP 0.4-0.6)- Work continues on this bridge replacement project between downtown and just west of Hamilton Street. Trent Ave. is closed to through traffic between Riverpoint Blvd. and Cincinnati Street. Detours are fully signed. Access to all businesses on Trent is available. This is a long-term closure.

SR 291/Unstable Slope Repair (MP 11.5)-Work is underway near the Stevens County line with rock scaling and bolting operations to repair the unstable slope. During construction hours motorists should expect single lane traffic controlled by flaggers with delays. SPEED LIMIT ALERT: The legal speed limit is now 35 mph on SR 291 in the vicinity of this project.

<u>US 395/Immel Rd. to Arden (MP 212-223)-</u>Paving underway. Some delays of up to 15 minutes with flaggers and pilot cars directing single lane traffic. The temporary traffic signal in the vicinity of 12 Mile Rd. should be removed on Friday, Sept. 29.

<u>US 395 / Hawthorne Avenue Intersection (MP 228.92)</u> Main Street work is under way, with the new roundabout in operation. Roundabout signage is provided. Some Construction activities will take place within and adjacent to the roundabout. Landscaping and Electrical work will be proceeding. Construction is occurring on west Hawthorne on the west side of Sears. The project is scheduled to be completed around September 15th. This is a City of Colville project with WSDOT participation. For detailed information call (509) 684-2244.

<u>US 395/Colville (MP 230)</u>-Contractor crews working with the City of Colville will be constructing lighting for the Wal-Mart near 8th Street in north Colville. Possible lane restrictions.

NEW!! SR 904/Cheney to Four Lakes (MP 12-16)-Work is now underway on this safety enhancement project near Cheney. Crews are working with electrical items and paint stripe removal. Motorists should expect single lane traffic directed by flaggers with delays when work is underway and be alert for temporary center line markings.